

**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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First Named Inventor: Lon S. Weiner et al.

Title: METHOD OF FRACTURE FIXATION (as amended)

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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1. Fee Calculation Sheet
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status
3. Specification Total Pages [32]
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed. Sponsored R&D
 - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claims
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawings (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets [10]
5. Oath or Declaration Total Pages [3]
 - a. Newly Executed (original or copy)
 - b. Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d) - for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)

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I. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.

7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(If applicable, all necessary)
 - a. Computer Readable Copy (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies; or
 - ii. Paper
 - c. Statements verifying identify of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) Submission
 Power of Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. Information Disclosure Statement with copies of Citations as necessary
13. Preliminary Amendment Total Pages [12]
14. Return Receipt Postcard (Should be specifically itemized)
15. Certified Copy of Priority document(s) (If foreign priority is claimed)
16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Application must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent
17. Other

18. If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION** check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

Continuation of prior Application No. 10/233,897

Division

Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior Application No.

Prior Application Information: Examiner Daniel J. Davis Group Art Unit 3731

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

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1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 and credit any over payments to Deposit Account No.11-0982. Deposit Account Name: Kinney & Lange, P.A. A duplicate copy of this communication is enclosed

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1001	770	2001	385	<input type="checkbox"/> Utility Filing Fee
1002	340	2002	170	<input type="checkbox"/> Design Filing Fee
1004	770	2004	385	<input type="checkbox"/> Reissue Filing Fee
1005	160	2005	80	<input type="checkbox"/> Prov. Filing Fee

Subtotal (1) \$770.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Number Claims	Prior**	Extra	Fee from Below	Fee Paid
Total	20	20	= 0 x 18 = 0	
Indep.	5	3	= 2 x 86 = 172	
Multiple Dependent Claims				<u>*</u> = <u>*</u>

**Insert 3 and 20, or number previously paid if greater; Reissue see below

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Description
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple Dependent Claim
1204	86	2204	43	Reissue Independent Claims Over Original Patent
1205	18	2205	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

Subtotal (2) \$172.00

FEE CALCULATION (Continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee paid
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - Late filing fee or oath	*
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	*
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	*
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For Filing a Request for Reexamination	*
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	*
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	*
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	*
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	*
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	*
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	*
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	*
1814	110	2814	55	Terminal Disclaimer Fee	*
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	*
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	*
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility/Reissue issue fee	*
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	*
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	*
1807	50	1807	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	*
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	*
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	*
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	*
Other fee (specify) _____					
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Sir:

Enclosed are ten (10) sheets of formal drawings for filing in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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